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MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation divisional
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 09/673,882 filed on January 5,
2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference, by

Jan CARLSSON, Maria LONNBERG

for

LIGAND BINDING ASSAY AND KIT WITH A SEPARATION ZONE FOR
DISTURBING ANALYTES

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2. The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

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		LARGE ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY		
BASIC FEE		\$750.00		\$375.00		
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	1-20 =	0	x 18	= \$0.00	x 9	= \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1-3 =	0	x 84	= \$0.00	x 42	= \$0.00
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		TOTAL	\$750.00		\$0.00	

3. A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Enclosed is/are two (2) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
- 6a. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/673,882 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
- 6b. The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7. The prior application is assigned to Pharmacia & Upjohn Diagnostics AB.
8. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 9a. Priority of Application No(s). _____ filed in _____ on _____ is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on _____.
- 9b. Priority of International Appln. PCT/SE99/00722 filed on April 30, 1999 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Swedish Application No. 9801563-9 filed in Sweden

on April 30, 1998 under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119
are hereby reclaimed.

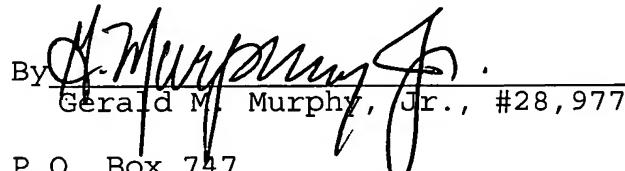
10. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
11. Address all future communications to:

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12. An extension of time for _____() month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/673,882 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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